

To: Montana Legislature  
 From: Teachers, Sacajawea Elementary School, Great Falls  
 Re: SB 207

We the undersigned wish to go on record supporting SB207, a bill to provide teachers the option of receiving their pay in monthly increments throughout the year, including the summer months of June, July and August.

Presently all remaining stipends owed are lumped into one payment at the end of the school year. While this satisfies the pecuniary interests of the District it leaves a three month gap between the last salary payment of one school year and the first payment of the next. This then leads to special considerations in budgeting and allocation of funds for both fixed and flexible accounts.

In the interest of budgeting convenience to both the individual and institutions with which financial commitments have been made, dispersal of the owed funds on a monthly basis would be much more compatible.

We thank the Legislature for considering this matter and look forward to the passage of SB207.

Sincerely,

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